

This plan is benevolent, but too undefined and loosely structured to be effective. It has some good points, but fails to address many fundamental problems that exist within the current U.S. amateur radio licensing system. The complete dismissal of Element 1 for any operator wishing only to use phone modes below 30 MHz is

commendable, but discourages new licensees from developing and advancing their interest in manual telegraphy transmission by forcing them to pass another, separate test. I feel that manual

telegraphy via CW is a viable and interesting part of amateur radio service. Although those who choose not to further their skills in

this area should not be penalized, neither should those who wish to practice the art of Morse telegraphy be forced to re-test should they take an interest after passing their phone exams.